

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **1585**

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 21 2015

RE: H.C.R. No. 98

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred
H.C.R. No. 98 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION TO CONVENE A WORKING GROUP TO INVESTIGATE AND
ASSESS SAFETY CONCERNS AND POTENTIAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR QUEEN
KAAHUMANU HIGHWAY FROM MAKALA BOULEVARD TO HENRY STREET ON
THE ISLAND OF HAWAII,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the
Department of Transportation to convene a working group to
investigate and assess safety concerns and potential improvements
for Queen Kaahumanu Highway between Makala Boulevard and Henry
Street on the Island of Hawaii.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Department of Transportation.

Your Committee finds that in 2009, the Department of
Transportation began the widening of Queen Kaahumanu Highway on
the Island of Hawaii and added a bicycle lane to north- and south-
bound lanes. The south-bound bicycle lane proved to be a safety
concern, as it was located between two lanes of fast-moving
traffic. In December 2014, a restriping project commenced along
Queen Kaahumanu Highway south of the Makala Boulevard intersection
to address safety concerns, however there are still significant
concerns for public safety at the intersection even after
restriping and numerous complaints from the community.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 98, and recommends its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Transportation,

Clarence K Nishihara

CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, Chair



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